

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Long Range Transportation Plan Committee

FROM: Debra Perkins-Smith, Director
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SUBJECT: LRTP Committee Organization and Logistics

The Long Range Transportation Plan Committee of the Commission is a newly formed committee for the purpose of providing direction to staff and recommendations to the full Commission for action, as needed, regarding the development of the Colorado Statewide Long Range Transportation Plan.

The agenda for today's meeting includes an item for discussion of organization and logistics for this committee. Some questions for discussion are proposed below. Others may arise at the meeting.

1. How often would this committee like to meet?
2. At what time/day would this committee prefer to meet? In advance of the TC meeting?
3. Does the committee prefer to meet in person or have conference calls?
4. What is the desired role of the committee in the Plan development process?
5. For committee recommendations and Commission action, what is the appropriate timing and sequence of review and comment on materials and presentation of a recommendation?
6. How would the committee like to interact with the STAC which has a statutory role in the SW Plan development? (see quote below)

"A transportation advisory committee is hereby created. The committee is to be composed of one representative from each transportation planning region. The committee shall provide advice to the department on the needs of the transportation systems in Colorado and shall review and comment on all regional transportation plans submitted for the transportation planning regions." CRS 43-1-1104

"The general assembly hereby finds and declares that local government involvement in transportation planning is critical to the overall statewide planning process. The general assembly recognizes that regional planning commissions and transportation planning regions are the proper forum for transportation planning and that the county hearing process is the proper forum for local government input into the five-year program of projects. However, the general assembly also recognizes that state involvement in transportation planning, through the department of transportation, is equally critical to overall statewide planning, and the general assembly recognizes the department of transportation as the proper body, in cooperation with regional planning commissions and local government officials, for developing and maintaining the state transportation planning process and the state transportation plan." CRS 43-1-1101